

REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

AND OF THE

Superintending School Committee,

OF

CHARLESTOWN, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR

Ending March 4, 1868.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW ENGLANDER

STATEMENT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN.

The Town voted at the Annual Meeting in March, 1867,
to raise the following sums, viz :

For State Tax,	\$4800
For County Tax,	2968
For Schools,	2000
For Roads and Bridges,	500
For Town Officers,	700
For Town Poor,	900
For interest on Town Debt,	2300
For Incidentals,	500
For Cemeteries,	200
	<hr/> \$14868 00

There was raised by High School, 600 00

15468 00

Added by Selectmen, 468 26

Amount committed to B. Whipple, Collector, \$15936 26

BENJAMIN WHIPPLE, TAX COLLECTOR,

In account with the Town, March 3, 1868 :

Dr.

To balance of Tax Bills, March 6, '67,	\$500 00
Tax Bill of 1867,	15936 26
	<hr/> \$16436 26

Cr.

By Cash paid State tax,	\$4800 00
County tax,	2968 00
High School tax,	600 00
Town Treasurer,	7568 26
	<hr/> \$15936 26

Due the Town on Tax Bill of	1864,	\$12 66	
"	"	1865,	42 13
"	"	1866,	17 27
"	"	1867,	427 94
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			\$500 00
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			\$16436 20

GEORGE OLCOTT, TREASURER,

In account with the Town, March 4, 1868:

DR.

Balance due the Town March 5, 1867,	\$1050 48
Received of Collector Whipple,	7568 26
C. C. Kimball, use Town Hall 1866,	30 00
do. do 1867,	20 00
For support of Jaseph child,	39 00
S. M. Tyrrell, Liquor Agent,	100 00
Keene National Bank taxes,	76 62
County Paupers,	1331 71
Conn. Riv. Nat, Bank, highway tax '67,	14 63
H. C. Ellinwood, highway tax 1867,	1 70
Granville Bradford, tax,	10 00
Town of Hudson, support of Ann Fiske,	117 74
Savings Bank tax 1867,	424 30
Literary Fund "	57 60
Railroad tax 1867,	312 24
United States Bounties,	960 00
Town of Lempster, support of Mrs. Richardson,	146 02
Henry Hubbard, Police Court fees,	33 06
Langdon, running Town lines,	3 88
Acworth, " "	1 75
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	\$12298 99

CR.

Paid for Schools, see statement	A,	2030 04
Roads & Bridges, "	B,	879 63
Town Paupers, "	C,	1155 05
County Paupers, "	D,	1178 27
Town Farm, "	E,	1722 92
Cemetery, "	F,	115 47
Town Debt, "	G,	2607 43

Town Officers,	"	H,	907 00	
Incidentals,	"	I,	575 50	
			<hr/>	11171 31
Balance due the Town,				<hr/> \$1127 68

STATEMENT A.

For support of Schools :

District No. 1,	107 96	District No. 10,	00 00
" No. 2 & 3,	684 56	" No. 11,	111 00
" No. 4,	165 72	" No. 12,	25 00
" No. 5,	174 76	" No. 13,	111 00
" No. 6,	132 28	" No. 14,	88 72
" No. 7,	120 12	" No. 15,	23 81
" No. 8,	107 60	" No. 16,	11 90
" No. 9,	164 61	in Claremont.	<hr/>
			\$2030 04

STATEMENT B.

For Roads and Bridges :

Cash paid Alvin Frost, work on highway,	\$1 12
Joshua Bowker, work on highway,	22 25
E. H. Tidd, work on highway,	4 50
Horace Harlow, building bridge,	68 50
Oren Fiske, breaking roads,	5 00
Warren Way, work on highway,	17 00
David P. Darrah, work on highway,	23 65
H. H. Miller, railing,	9 10
Richard Landon, lumber,	7 00
William Hamlin, building bridge,	60 00
Michael Galvin, cleaning ditch,	1 00
Joshua Bowker, work on highway,	44 25
Lyman Buswell, damage,	5 00
Samuel Thrasher, abutment to bridge,	250 00
H. Hubbard, build'g road No. Charlestown,	75 50
B. W. Putnam, plank and work,	26 60
Richardson Robertson, plank walk,	14 70
Crosby & Fish, plank for bridge,	24 54
Charles Hackett, work on highway,	53 78
Geo. S. Bond, iron scraper,	7 50
Horace Frost, labor on highway,	11 95
L. Lane, railing to bridge & water-trough,	8 00
Lucian Lane, gravel,	3 00
N. B. Hull, water-trough,	3 00

Crosby & Fish,	3 17
Esbond Corbin, work on highway,	4 25
Sam'l Putnam and others, breaking roads,	17 40
Edwin F. Hubbard, water-trough,	3 00
Chas. V. Barker, labor and lumber,	21 40
Cephas Walker, work on bridge,	2 00
David W. Parks, lumber,	2 00
Ashbel Hamlin, gravel,	3 00
Brooks Kimball, iron work,	1 25
Warren Way, breaking roads,	2 92
Aaron Clark, work on highway,	3 00
Gilman Bowen, for breaking roads,	16 50
Albert Whitaker, " "	14 10
S. E. Gowing, work on bridge,	8 60
E. H. Tidd, work on highway,	2 60
James Jardine, work on highway,	2 50
John W. Burnham, work on highway,	25 00
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	\$879 63

STATEMENT C.

For Town Paupers cash paid :

J. O. Joslyn, hood for Cooley child,	\$1 25
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of Cooley child,	10 50
Mrs. Nancy Jones, board Jaseph child,	6 00
Alamander Powers, board Wm. Powers,	4 00
J. Harlow, coffin,	10 00
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	165 92
A. D. Hull, board of A. Wheeler,	12 00
F. Taft, shroud,	4 10
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of Cooley child,	10 50
Sarah M. Powers, board of Wm. Powers,	11 00
Nancy Jones, board of Jaseph child,	6 00
E. H. Tidd, expense to Asylum,	21 25
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of Cooley child,	6 00
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	168 36
J. G. Briggs, adm'r, goods,	23 53
Catherine Wheeler, board of A. Wheeler,	12 00
Mrs. Geo. Smith, " " Cooley child,	6 00
Nancy Jones, " " Jaseph "	6 00
A. D. Hull, " " A. Wheeler,	12 00
Mrs. Geo. Smith, " " Cooley child,	8 50
B. W. Putnam, cash to Mrs. Blood,	5 00
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of Cooley child,	10 50
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	115 98

J. M. Whitaker, Medical attendance,	1 00
Nancy Jones, board of Jaseph child,	12 00
B. W. Putnam, cash to Mrs. Blood,	5 00
A. H. Fisher, wood to Mrs. A. Woods,	1 63
Richard Knapp, taking care of Mrs. Richardson,	2 50
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of Cooley child,	6 00
Sarah M. Powers, " " William Powers,	6 00
Knapp and Chadborn, coat and pants,	7 00
Sarah M. Powers, board of Wm. Powers,	31 00
Catherine Wheeler, " " A. Wheeler,	42 00
Samuel Webber, Medical attendance,	13 25
Josiah White, goods for paupers,	53 58
Town of Claremont, for support of Ebenezer Pike,	24 50
S. O. Cooley, hat for Wm. Powers,	1 50
C. E. Holbrook, shoes for Cooley child,	1 00
Mrs. Geo. Smith, board of " "	9 80
O. Smith & Co., goods,	2 75
Horace Saunders, Medical attendance,	12 25
J. M. Whitaker, " "	15 00
Nancy Jones, board of Jaseph child,	9 75
Darius Parks, " " Woods "	55 42
E. R. Simonds " " Perry "	8 50
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	197 23

\$1155 05

STATEMENT D.

For County Paupers cash paid :

Daniel Hart, for rent of shanty for Mrs. Scott,	\$9 00
M. S. Heath, board of Holland child,	12 50
Harvey Allen, " Gleason child,	5 00
D. G. Stoughton, " transient,	5 45
Nancy Jones, " Nancy Wood,	12 00
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	60 48
J. G. Briggs, adm'r, goods out of store,	127 33
M. S. Heath, board Mary Holland,	6 75
Nancy Jones, " Nancy Wood,	12 00
B. W. Putnam, cash to Heath family,	5 00
Timothy Rhoan, for Mrs. Rhoan,	18 00
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	63 56
D. G. Stoughton, transient,	4 30
Nancy Jones, board Nancy Wood,	12 00
Thomas Malona, board of Mary Holland,	25 50
John W. Taylor, meat for Madigen & Rigney,	15 31
Josiah White, goods to Madigen, Rigney & Scott,	123 00

B. W. Putnam, wood for Heath,	7 25
Daniel Hart, house rent for Mrs. Scott,	9 00
H. L. Hunt, moving Mrs. Rigney,	2 87
Metcalf A. Hamlin, goods to Heath,	22 75
C. E. Holbrook, for shoes,	9 35
D. G. Stoughton, transient,	6 40
Horace B. Wing, potatoes for Rigney,	3 00
J. P. Bancroft, Asylum,	64 14
J. M. Whitaker, Medical attendance,	9 00
Henry Cooley, board of Richardson children,	21 00
E. H. Tidd, expense to Concord with Mrs. Richardson,	40 20
Nancy Jones, board of Nancy Wood,	24 00
D. G. Stoughton, transient,	2 15
Thomas Malona, board of Mary Holland,	19 50
J. G. Briggs, wood,	15 40
Michael Galvin, sawing wood,	2 00
B. W. Putnam, wood to Rigney,	8 50
E. H. Tidd, wood to Madigen,	5 00
S. H. Grinnell, wood to Rigney,	6 32
E. H. Tidd, " "	5 00
" " Mrs. Madigen,	10 00
Thomas Malona, board of Mary Holland,	4 50
Michael Galvin, sawing wood,	3 50
Josiah White, goods,	91 50
John W. Taylor, meat,	13 80
Samuel Webber, Medical attendance,	19 00
G. W. Hoyt, transient,	18 00
S. M. Tyrrell, liquor to Rigney,	3 75
Darius Parks, for Ferry child,	22 25
John Gregg, sickness of Geo. Rackliff,	25 00
H. L. Hunt, drawing wood,	1 00
Henry Hubbard, wood to James Rigney,	5 25
C. E. Holbrook, shoes for Ferry child,	60
Jehial Harlow, coffin for James Rigney,	10 00
Horace Saunders, Medical attendance,	4 75
Daniel Hart, for house rent for Mrs. Scott,	9 00
Nancy Jones, board of Nancy Woods,	16 50
W. B. Porter, Medical attendance to Geo. Rackliff,	9 00
G. W. Hoyt, transient pauper,	3 50
Darius Parks, board Ferry child,	44 83
J. P. Bancroft, for Mary Beckley,	12 53

\$1178 27

STATEMENT E.

For Town Farm :

Cash paid B. W. Putnam, for horse,	\$200 00
Horace Hubbard, wheat and stove,	21 03
John T. Pierce, Farm ag't,	20 00
B. W. Putnam, for wagon,	70 00
“ “ cattle bought,	95 00
John T. Pierce, cattle and help,	50 00
William Smith, pasturing,	15 00
John W. Taylor, meat,	42 38
Metcalf & Hamlin, groceries,	66 47
O. Smith & Co., goods,	208 88
John T. Pierce, help and grain,	50 00
David W. Parks, blacksmithing,	26 11
Metcalf & Hamlin, goods,	154 46
Geo. S. Clater, meal and corn,	20 45
John W. Taylor, meat,	11 60
James W. Fisk, (ag't till Mar. 27, '57,)	421 54
John T. Pierce, (ag't '67 to '68)	250 00
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	\$1722 92

STATEMENT F.

For Cemeteries :

Cash paid S. H. Grinnel, fixing fence,	1 00
Jonathan Lines, work in Cemetery,	29 00
Horace Hubbard, for Cemetery, No. C.	6 00
H. C. Ellinwood, for labor,	7 47
H. C. Ellinwood, new harness for hearse,	30 00

SEXTONS.

W. B. Quimby,	16 00
H. C. Ellenwood,	26 00
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	\$42 00
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	\$115 47

STATEMENT G.

For Town Debt :

Cash paid J. J. Hubbard, interest on town Notes,	\$247 10
Geo. Olcott, Treas., int. on town Note,	487 96
C. R. Savings Bank interest,	576 00
Joel Bartlett, Note paid,	426 54
Joseph Tarbell, interest on Note,	61 50
Milton P. Bailey, town Note paid,	551 02
Benjamin Whipple, in't on Note,	60 00
Samuel Webber, in't on town Note,	63 60

David Holton, in't on town Note, 133 71

\$2607 43

STATEMENT H.

For Town Officers :

Cash paid Henry Hubbard, Police Court,	\$100 00
C. C. Kimball, Town Clerk,	40 00
George Olcott, Town Treasurer,	50 00
Francis Chase, Supt. School Committee,	15 00
S. P. Osgood, Chief of the Police,	17 00
Benjamin Whipple, Tax Collector,	125 00
A. D. Hull, Police,	10 00
Joseph Burt, " " " " " "	5 00
J. M. Whitaker, Supt. School Committee,	60 00
S. M. Tyrrell, Liquor Agent,	75 00
Charles T. Hull, Police,	10 00
Benjamin W. Putnam, 1st Selectman,	115 00
Franklin W. Putnam, 2d " "	115 00
Eben H. Tidd, 3d " "	115 00
Benjamin W. Putnam, Overseer of Poor,	25 00
" " attendance at Court,	15 00
Franklin W. Putnam, Overseeing Poor,	15 00
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	\$907 00

STATEMENT I.

For Incidentals :

Cash paid Brooks Kimball, Auditor for 1867,	\$6 00
A. N. Swain, for Posters,	2 25
D. L. Guernsey & Co., highway warrants,	5 50
Samuel Finley, ab't of Bank tax,	19 35
F. McClure, " " " "	28 51
P. M. Dickey, " " " "	19 09
Silas E. Noyes, " " " "	9 54
Lincoln Whitcomb, " " " "	19 12
Michael Galvin, sawing wood Town House,	1 75
Claremont Mf'g Co., Town Reports,	30 00
" " " " Warrants,	6 25
Roswell Walker, pasturing cattle,	5 62
Mary L. Bascom, witness Court,	2 50
B. W. Putnam, wood for Selectmen,	5 00
John Walker, tax refunded of 1865,	16 96
W. D. Putnam, writing,	6 00
H. L. Hunt, saw-dust on Hall,	1 00
R. M. Putnam, copying,	3 00
E. H. Tidd, traveling fees, &c.,	8 00

S. M. Tyrrell, liquor,	50 00
E. H. Tidd, cash paid out,	4 00
Benj. Whipple, ab't tax,	37 45
F. W. Putnam, cash paid running T. lines,	10 00
S. P. Osgood, ab't tax.	12 60
E. H. Tidd, running town lines,	6 00
F. W. Putnam, cash to A. D. Hull,	1 00
A. Chase, posters,	1 50
C. C. Kimball, repairs on Town House,	5 18
Robertson & Porter, teams,	4 50
David E. Farwell, money advanced,	40 00
J. W. Colburu, abatement of tax,	6 79
S. P. Osgood, notifying Jurors,	3 00
Thomas Whipple, running town lines and auditing town accounts,	23 00
H. C. Ellinwood, winding Town Clock,	10 00
E. L. Cushing, fees,	25 39
Brooks Kimball, wood for Selectmen,	1 25
S. M. Tyrrell, liquor,	75
Robertson & Porter, team,	1 50
Benjamin Whipple, abatement tax,	6 90
" " " "	109 64
" " " "	96
Lewis Bond. " "	12 25
E. H. Tidd, .	6 40
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	\$575 50

TOWN FARM.

The Town of Charlestown

To John T. Pierce, agent of Town Farm,

DR.

To amount paid out, \$1490 33

CR.

By cash received, 1446 62

Balance due agent, \$43 76

The Committee do not consider the Agent of the Town Farm as a "Town Officer," but an agent or employee of the Selectmen, as overseers of the poor, and an approximation of the expense of supporting the poor of the town the past year will be found by the following statement:

Am't paid out for town purposes, see statem't C,	\$1,155 05
" " County " "	D, 1,178 27

"	"	Town Farm	"	E,	1,722 92
"	due the Agent, on salary, &c.,				118 76
Interest on Town Farm,					210 00
"	on personal property,				144 00

Whole expense, \$4,589 00

From which deduct :

Cash paid Agent of last year, \$421 54

" received for County purposes, 1,331 71

" " of Town of Hudson, 117 74

" " " Lempster, 146 02

Increased value of personal property

on Town Farm, 208 26 \$2,225 27

Total cost of supporting the poor, \$2,353 73

Of this sum there was paid N. H. Asylum, 383 73

LIQUOR AGENCY.

March 6, '63, there was in the hands of Chas.

E. Richardson, Liquor Agent, liquors on hand, \$61 06

Casks, 48 86

Cash, 60 66

Total,

\$126 58

In 1864, the Treasurer credits the Town with cash for sales of liquors,

\$102 41

The Committee find no report of this Agency till this year, but find there was drawn from the Treasury, in 1867, for the purchase of liquors,

386 74

Mr. George S. Bond reports himself as Agent from Jan. 4, to May 7, 1867, and that the Town furnished him with liquors to the amount of

815 87

That his sales amounted to

371 04

That he delivered to S. M. Tyrrell, liquors amounting to

497 86

And that he owed the Town

93 90

Mr. S. M. Tyrrell reports himself as Agent from May 7, '67, that he received from Geo.

S. Bond liquors amounting to

486 29

From the Treasurer,

50 00

For sales of liquors,

342 70

\$878 99

And credits himself with

Cash paid to Town Treasurer	\$150 00	
Liquors delivered the poor,	4 50	
Salary, 9 months,	75 00	
Liquors on hand,	243 14	\$472 64

Balance,		\$306 35
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The Committee are of opinion that this Agency needs investigation.

ABATEMENTS OF TAXES.

FOR THE YEAR 1864.

Samuel Bosworth, balance,	\$2 22	
George Knapp,	4 22	
Richard R. Robertson,	4 22	
	—	\$10 66

FOR THE YEAR 1865.

Samuel Bosworth,	\$4 25	
G. W. Hubbard,	4 25	
	—	\$8 50

FOR THE YEAR 1866.

Samuel S. Smith,	\$4 32	
Joseph Simonds,	4 32	
	—	\$8 64

FOR THE YEAR 1867.

Simeon F. Ellinwood,	33 60	
Nancy Jones,	10 50	
John Moore,	3 84	
Robie Merrill,	3 84	
J. A. Trow,	4 80	
Levi Willard, Guardian,	20 80	
Thomas Malona,	1 00	
Patrick Lary,	58	
Henry Davis,	3 84	
	—	\$82 80
John W. Ferguson,	6 90	
S. P. Osgood,	12 50	
Lewis Bond,	12 25	
J. W. Colburn,	6 79	
John Blood,	6 24	
J. M. Chamberlain,	4 20	
Ira Watkins,	4 80	
Amanda Wetherbee,	4 80	
Putnam & Baker,	2 40	

Charles Gay, Trustee,	11 20	
John Gregg,	3 81	
		<u>\$75 99</u>
		<u>\$186 59</u>

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS.

NOTES.

Simeon F. Ellinwood,	\$500	
Martha Hubbard,	700	
George Brooks,	1800	
Benjamin Whipple,	1000	
George H. Kittridge,	800	
David Holton,	700	
Jenison J. Hubbard,	1000	
“ “	1500	
“ “	500	
Conn. River Savings Bank,	8000	
“ “ “	7800	
“ “ “	1600	
Hiram Smith,	300	
Abby M. Cram,	650	
Nancy Tarble,	375	
Franklin Smith,	500	
Charlotte M. Sumner,	1060	
Daniel Clark,	600	
Samuel Neal,	1200	
Leonard Way,	2000	
Emeline L. Holton,	1000	
		<u>\$33585 00</u>

OTHER INDEBTEDNESS.

Swan Fund,	333 33	
Town of Alstead, support Mrs. Wheaton,	33 25	
H. Metcalf, on taxes abated,	19 81	
H. Metcalf, damages laying out road,	40 00	
Due School District No. 12,	79 92	
		<u>\$506 31</u>
		<u>\$34091 31</u>

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Town Farm,	\$3500 00	
Personal property on Farm,	2407 67	
Taxes due from B. Whipple, Collector,	500 00	
Gravel pits,	100 00	
Town safe,	100 00	
Claim of the Town against the State,	200 00	

Claim of the Town against Jaseph,	39 00
Amount uncollected of taxes against Stockholders of Claremont National Bank, resident in Charles- town,	393 85
Amount uncollected of taxes against Stockholders of 1st National Bank of Newport, resident in Charlestown,	28 64
Cash in Treasury,	1127 68
Liquors on hand as by report of S. M. Tyrrell,	243 14
Due from S. M. Tyrrell, Agent,	306 35
Due from George S. Bond, Agent,	93 90
Indebtedness of the Town over Assets,	25051 08
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	\$34091 31

The Selectmen recommend to raise the following sums
of money for 1868 :

For State Tax,	\$4800 00
County Tax,	2374 40
School Tax,	2000 00
Roads and Bridges,	500 00
Town Officers,	900 00
Paupers,	1200 00
Interest on Town Debt,	2300 00
Incidentals,	500 00
Cemeteries,	200 00
Highways,	1400 00
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	\$16174 40

Which is respectfully submitted by

BENJAMIN W. PUTMAN,	} <i>Selectmen of Charlestown.</i>
FRANKLIN W. PUTMAN,	
EBEN H. TIDD,	

We certify that we have examined the statements by the
Selectmen, and we find vouchers in nearly all cases where
receipts are given; that their drafts on the Treasurer have
all been paid; that we believe the statement of Assets and
Liabilities of the town is made in good faith and essentially
correct.

HORACE METCALF,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
E. L. CUSHING,	

Charlestown, March 4, 1868.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Your Superintending School Committee has attended to the duties of his office during the year and begs permission to submit the following as his Report.

DISTRICT No. 1. There was no school in this district during the Summer. The school in the Winter was taught by Mr. Geo. Davis of Langdon, N. H. Mr. Davis is a teacher of great experience. He was just the teacher for this district. He was large enough to drive away from his school those who were too large or too wise to submit themselves to his authority and teaching. His scholars enjoyed as much liberty during school hours as their highest good demanded. Mr. Davis is very thorough in his method of teaching, the scholars being permitted to advance as rapidly only as they are prepared to advance. It pained the committee that, at the closing examination, the heart of no father or mother was gladdened by witnessing the promptness of their children in answering questions, and by their remarkable proficiency in the studies they had pursued. The examination was one of the best in town. The school continued 13 weeks.

Notes from the Register.

Whole No. different scholars,	13.	Mary Hunter was tardy	15 times
Average daily attendance,	11.	Henry Lynch	" " 14 "
No. visits by citizens,	4.	Ella Barton	" " 12 "
No. instances of tardiness,	169.	Chas. Kendall	" " 11 "

Fred. A. Piper was not absent one half day during the whole term.

HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Nos. 2 AND 3. The Report of the schools in this district may be found elsewhere.

DISTRICT No. 4. The three terms of the school in this district during the year were under the judicious management of Miss Susan B. Carlton, of Claremont, N. H. Miss Carlton is an experienced teacher; that having been her principal business for a number of years. The experience she has thus obtained renders her a very useful and efficient teacher. She is well qualified for her business. Miss Carlton could drive her scholars to obedience and to the performance of their duty if need be, but she always prefers to lead them whenever she can do so without resorting to such subterfuges as would mar the dignity of a school-teacher. Miss Carlton's school always exhibited the salutary influence and effect of a good discipline—promptness and attention during recitation, and a ready and cheerful obedience to all the requests and commands of the teacher. At an exhibition at the close of the Winter term the scholars showed marked ability as speakers and writers.

Notes from the Register for the first term—12 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 25. Rosie L. Allen was tardy 9 times.
 Average daily attendance, 22. Helen Frost " " 8 "
 No. visits by citizens, 45. Lizzie M. Putnam " " 5 "
 No. instances of tardiness, 59. Mary L. Putnam " " 4 "

Alice L. Carriel, Martha H. Chatterton, Grace E. Chatterton, Louisa J. Hamlin, Lizzie M. Putnam, Mary L. Putnam, George J. Carriel, George W. Putnam, and Frank S. Parks, were not absent onehalf day during the whole term.

Notes from the Register for the second term—6 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 22. No. visits by citizens, 17.
 Average daily attendance, 20. No. instances of tardiness, 13.

Grace E. Chatterton, Alice L. Carriel, Lizzie M. Putnam, Mary L. Putnam, George J. Carriel, Henry E. Hackett and George M. Putnam, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Notes from the Register for the Winter term.

Whole No. different scholars, 24. Rosie L. Allen was tardy 7 times.
 Average daily attendance, 23. G. E. Chatterton " " 6 "
 No. visits by citizens, 24. G. H. Cummings " " 14 "
 No. instances of tardiness, 69. Carlos A. Gee " " 5 "

Martha W. Chatterton, Grace E. Chatterton, Alice L. Carriel, Louisa J. Hamlin, Ned J. Anderson, George J. Carriel, Joseph S. Hunt, John J. Jardine, Frank D. Jardine, Fred. D. Jardine and Noble C. Marvin, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

DISTRICT No. 5. There were three terms of school in this district during the year. The first and second terms were taught by Miss Clara A. Howard, of South Acworth, N. H. Miss Howard has had great experience as a teacher. She is energetic in the school-room and labors assiduously for the welfare and success of her pupils. Had Miss Howard enjoyed firm health we believe that her energy, combined with her earnest desire for the good of her scholars, would have rendered her services as a teacher most acceptable. But during these two terms Miss Howard's health was in such a poor condition as to make it wholly injudicious for her to attempt to teach school. We believe the condition of the school was as unsatisfactory to the teacher as it was to the committee. The school lacked good order and discipline, without which any school is an unprofitable investment.

Notes from the Register for the first term—7 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 26. No. visits by citizens, 0.
 Average daily attendance, 20½. No. instances of tardiness, 22.

Mary A. Chase, Abbie K. Hanson, Hattie E. Saunders and Annie E. Woods, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Notes from the Register for the second term—6 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 28. N. W. Hubbard was tardy 4 times.
 Average daily attendance, 24. Nettie L. Morey " " 4 "
 No. visits by citizens, 0. Nellie L. Morey " " 4 "
 No. instances of tardiness, 52. Forest Wellman " " 4 "

Mary E. Campbell, Nettie W. Hubbard, Libbie E. Hubbard, Nettie L. Morey, Nellie L. Morey, Ella E. Straw, Rilla Straw and Fred. W. Chase, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Winter term. The Winter term was taught by Miss Melissa M. Smith, of Acworth, N. H. Miss Smith has taught many terms of Schools. She endeavors by gentleness of manner and kindness of speech to win the respect of her pupils, and thus to secure their obedience. Miss Smith's first work in the school was a work of great importance—to bring order out of confusion. She succeeded in a very remarkable degree. The order in the school soon became good, and a healthful change came over the school. Miss Smith is deserving of the highest commendation of the district for the good service she did for them. The registers of both teachers echo the sad tale, "the school is not properly supplied with Text-Books."—Let the deficiency be met at once, else the district may discover, when it is too late to correct the evil, that they have furnished too many work-shops for the devil.

Notes from the Register for the Winter term—13 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	30.	Flora Wheaton was tardy	15 times.
Average daily attendance,	23.	Annie Woods	" " 12 "
No. visits by citizens,	22.	Forest Wellman	" " 13 "
No. instances of tardiness,	114.	Leland Wood	" " 13 "

Charles Stearns was not absent one half day during the whole term.

DISTRICT No. 6. This school has been taught during the year by Miss Etta M. Barker, of North Charlestown, N. H. Miss Barker is a resident of district No. 6. This fact shows that a prudential committee is not always obliged to go out of his own district in order to secure the services of a good, faithful school-teacher.—For it does not admit of a doubt that the school money in district No. 6, could not have been expended to better advantage than it was expended. Miss Barker always had good order in her school without making any apparent strenuous effort to secure it. Her method of teaching is very mild; perhaps mild to a fault.—But yet her success in teaching has been remarkably good. During the whole year the different branches of study have been taught with a commendable degree of thoroughness.

Notes from the Register for the first term—11 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	17.	No. visits by citizens,	12
Average daily attendance,	15.	No. instances of tardiness,	12

Martha Ward, Stella Perry, Ralph Ward and Frank Hamlin, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Notes from the Register for the second term—16 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	22.	Wm. Converse was tardy	14 times.
Average daily attendance,	18.	Howard Locke	" " 8 "
No. visits by citizens	40.	Frank Wheaton	" " 4 "
No. instances of tardiness,	38.	Henry L. Barker	" " 3 "

George Garfield, Stella Perry, Frank Ward, Freddie Quimby and Leander Hull were not absent one half day during the whole term. A good Register for No. 6.

DISTRICT No. 7. The Summer term was taught by Miss Mary A. Garfield, of Claremont, N. H. Miss Garfield has had but little experience as a teacher; but she takes hold of the work in an easy and familiar way which indicates more experience. She preserved good order in school; and the scholars seemed to be interested in their books. The recitations were recited with a readiness which indicated that they had been thoroughly studied and learned. Miss

Garfield would add not a little to her usefulness as a teacher if she would give more attention to correctness in reading.

Notes from the Register for the Summer term—10 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	18.	Ella E. Perry	was tardy	5	times.
Average daily attendance,	15.	Stella Smith	" "	5	"
No. visits by citizens,	24.	M. McMahan	" "	5	"
No. instances of tardiness,	52.	Sarah McMahan	" "	5	"

Helen F. Clark and Ella L. Walker, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Winter term. The Winter term was commenced by Miss Nettie L. Marshall, of North Charlestown, N. H. Miss Marshall has great experience as a teacher. Her literary qualifications are of a high order—her reputation as a good and faithful teacher is established beyond a controversy—and her earnest desire for the welfare and success of her pupils is only equaled by her untiring efforts to guide and assist them in such a way that they might make true and thorough progress in the most easy and rapid manner. With all this, and more than all this, to recommend her to the favor of her scholars and to the confidence of the parents, Miss Marshall was suffered to labor on in her arduous work without the favor and co-operation of many of her pupils, on account of the poison poured into their minds at home, and without the encouraging word and helping hand of too many of the parents, until at length at the end of six weeks, she became exhausted by excessive toil, care and anxiety and her health succumbed beneath a too heavy burden imposed to crush. The last four weeks of the term were taught by Mr. James B. Colby, of Claremont. Mr. Colby has taught but a few terms. He is a young man of good character, good judgment and good natural abilities. He manifested a good degree of tact in the management of the school. But his knowledge of the different branches of science required to be taught in our public schools, is too limited to enable him to give earnest and thorough instruction in them. Mr. Colby is young and is pursuing a course of study. The committee would not hesitate to admit him to an examination for a school next Winter. The school in the Winter was not a very profitable one. The bad success is attributable to mere prejudice against Miss Marshall. While the honorable and the good of the district were remaining silent, the dishonorable and the bad were consummating their nefarious work, the evil consequences of which cause both the good and the bad alike to suffer. The Register as a book, looks as though it had been kept in a family with many children, all of whom regarded it as common property.

DISTRICT No. 8. There was no school in this district in the Summer. The school in the Winter was taught by Miss Kate Labaree, of Charlestown, N. H. This school has but a small number of scholars, but Miss Labaree managed it so that the whole time of each day was profiably employed for them. She endeavored to make her instruction practical. This kind of instruction is distasteful to no scholars except those inclined to be idle or dull. The committee was satisfied with the management and general appearance of the school at each of his visits.

Notes from the Register for the Winter term—11 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 9. Eddie Hackett was tardy 18 times.
 Average daily attendance, 6. George Duncan " " 13 "
 No. visits by citizens, 11. George Bowen " " 2 "
 No. instances of tardiness 49. Louisa Woods " " 9 "

No scholar was quite constant in his attendance.

DISTRICT No. 9. There have been three terms of school in this district during the year. The first and second terms were taught by Miss Eliza J. Bowen, of Charlestown, N. H. Miss Bowen has had considerable experience as a teacher. She taught in this district to the entire satisfaction of the committee. The scholars always seemed to be under a wholesome restraint and their habits of study were good. The recitations, also, gave evidence of previous study. Miss Bowen secured the love and esteem of all her pupils; and she was desirous to do all in her power for them, that could add to their happiness. The school was made a pleasant place for the children. Therefore they were remarkably constant in their attendance.

Notes from the Register for the first term—8 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 23. No. visits by citizens, 12.
 Average daily attendance, 20. No. instances of tardiness, 5.
 Ida V. Baldwin, Susie M. Putnam, Carrie F. Baldwin, Addie F. Heywood, Mary E. Goodell, Charlie E. Putnam, Millie F. Baldwin, Etta F. Baldwin, Ella M. Baldwin, Bertie A. Heywood, George H. Kennedy and Wesley S. Putnam, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Notes from the Register for the second term—7 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 24. No. visits by citizens, 27.
 Average daily attendance, 22. No. instances of tardiness, 0.
 Ida V. Baldwin, Hattie R. Milliken, Carrie F. Baldwin, Addie F. Heyward, Mary Goodell, Cora B. Heyward, Lizzie C. Milliken and Wesley S. Putnam, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Winter term. The Winter term was taught by Miss Belle H. Lewis, of Claremont. Miss Lewis has had great experience as a teacher. In truth, her residing place appears to have been in some school-house for some length of time. Her experience as a teacher has enabled her to discover the best methods of managing a school. She maintains order by compelling her pupils to get their lessons perfectly, which requires nearly all their time. Miss Lewis is able and qualified to teach—to teach correctly and thoroughly. Few schools at their examinations display more thoroughness of instruction.

Notes from the Register for the Winter term—8 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars, 24. Susie M. Putnam was tardy 6 times
 Average daily attendance, 21. Charlie E. Putnam " " 4 "
 No. visits by citizens, 16. Herbert Heyward " " 4 "
 No. instances of tardiness, 40. Geo. E. Heyward " " 4 "

Herbert Heyward, George Kennedy, James Lyons, Susie M. Putnam, Agnes M. Kennedy and Addie F. Heyward, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

DISTRICT No. 10. There was no school in this district during the year.

DISTRICT No. 11. The Summer and Winter terms of this school were taught by Miss Vienna Mack, of Gilsum, N. H. Miss Mack

has not had great experience as a teacher, but she showed marked ability in the management of her school. The scholars seemed to understand that their highest good would most surely be secured by rendering a cheerful obedience to all the rules and regulations of the school. Her school has not lacked good order and discipline; the order was always perfect. The district ought to consider themselves fortunate in being able to secure the services of so good and faithful a teacher.

Notes from the Register for the Summer term—10 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	14.	Henry Barraby was tardy 3 times
Average daily attendance,	12.	Ella Barraby " " 3 "
No. visits by citizens,	16.	Edward Barraby " " 2 "
No. instances of tardiness,	10.	John Herns " " 2 "

Notes from the Register for the Winter term—10 weeks,

Whole No. different scholars,	13.	No. instances of tardiness,	8.
Average daily attendance,	10.	George Barraby was tardy 5 times	
No. visits of citizens,	7.	Edward Barraby " " 3 "	

No one was quite perfect in attendance during the whole of either term.

DISTRICT NO. 12. The Summer term was taught by Miss Julia D. Kennedy, of Charlestown, N. H. Miss Kennedy has had some experience as a teacher. She knows her duty and is qualified to do it. Miss Kennedy has heard somewhere that "Order is Heaven's first law," and she believes that order ought to be the first law in a school; therefore she acts accordingly. Miss Kennedy is one of those who believe that school-books are put into the hands of the scholars to be studied and learned; and her practical demonstration of this belief was entirely satisfactory to the committee. She requires every scholar to study, and if they do not study, the school-room suddenly becomes a very unpleasant place for them. Miss Kennedy's method of instruction is thorough and correct.

Notes from the register for the summer term—8 weeks. Whole number different scholars 12. No. instances of tardiness 14. Average daily attendance $11\frac{1}{2}$, visits by citizens 12. Martha E. Gay, Eva L. Gay, Rosette E. Clarke, Nellie L. Lane, Daniel G. Clarke, Sumner F. Gay and Mervin J. Whipple were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Winter Term. The Winter school was taught by Mr. Homer Lewis, of Claremont, N. H. This school furnished Mr. Lewis his first attempt at teaching; in view of this fact we consider his school a success. It is not reasonable to expect as much of a Beginner, as of one who has experience. Mr. Lewis has endeavored to make himself as useful to the district as possible. The service he has rendered it, is valuable. His method of instruction is correct, and generally thorough. Mr. Lewis need not be ashamed of his work this Winter,; but, with the aid of his experience this Winter, he can do better next Winter.

His success as a Beginner was more than ordinary—his school showed it.

The Register of this district has not yet been forwarded to the S. S. Committee.

Notes from the register for the winter term—14 weeks. Whole number different scholars 18. Number instances of tardiness 12.

Average daily attendance 15. Visits by citizens 7. Eva L. Gay, Nellie L. Lane and Mary F. Whipple were not absent one half day during the whole term.

DISTRICT No. 13. This school was taught in the Summer by Miss Sarah A. Robertson, of North Charlestown, N. H. Miss Robertson taught this same school the previous Summer—a fact which indicates that she gave good satisfaction then. She taught a very good school this Summer. Her discipline was not rigid nor strict, but the order in her school always appeared good. Miss Robertson's delicate health prevented her performing her work with as much energy as the highest good of the scholars seemed to demand. The scholars gave good attention to their books and recited their lessons creditably; but the studying and the reciting were done with too little earnestness. The school was really better than it appeared to be, because it failed to do itself justice.

Notes from the Register for the Summer term—10 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	21.	James Hooper was tardy 6 times
Average daily attendance,	18.	Leon Calkins " " 4 "
No. visits by citizens.	6.	Frank Kendall " " 4 "
No. instances of tardiness,	31.	Josie R. Hooper " " 3 "

Ida H. Peasley and Frank Kendall, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

Winter Term. The Winter term was taught by Miss Eliza J. Bowen, of Charlestown, N. H. Miss Bowen made a sad failure of this school. For some reason or other Miss Bowen made herself a slave of the scholars. And as a slave may be loved, so was she loved by her pupils; but as the authority of a slave cannot be respected, so her authority was not respected. Why Miss Bowen permitted herself to lose sight of the dignity of her position is not within the knowledge of the committee. A teacher must not forget that she is placed in authority over her scholars, and not in servility under them. The committee knows that Miss Bowen can teach a good school, because she did teach a good school in district No. 9 during the Summer. The parents are blamable for not looking after the interests of their school more closely.

Notes from the Register of the Winter term—9 weeks.

Whole No. different scholars,	24.	No. visits by citizens,	3.
Average daily attendance,	20.	No. instances of tardiness,	9.

Ida H. Peasley, Effa C. Fairbanks, Devans Peaslee, Freddie Ramsey and Eldorus Fairbanks, were not absent one half day during the whole term.

DISTRICT No. 14. This district had no school in the Summer.—The Winter term was taught by Miss Frances S. Converse, of No. Charlestown, N. H. Miss Converse has had but little experience as a teacher. Her success in this school was not entirely satisfactory. We attribute the unsatisfactory results of her efforts to two circumstances: first, she is too young to assume the responsibilities of a teacher; second, her literary qualifications are too limited to enable her to impart correct or thorough instruction. The Register is so carelessly filled out as to afford almost no information to any one. We gather the following facts from it by calculation.

Whole No. different scholars, 15. Arthur Prouty was tardy 21 times

Average daily attendance,	9.	H. A. Burnham	"	"	9	"
No. visits by citizens,	10.	K. A. Burnham	"	"	8	"
No. instances of tardiness,	63.	Helen J. Frost	"	"	5	"

DISTRICT No. 15. The scholars in this district attend school in District No. 17, of Claremont.

The Supt. School Committee, having made a more full Report of each school than has been customary, deems it best not to make any general remarks, except to advise that the people of the town, at some future time, take into consideration the propriety and practicability of reducing the number of its school districts.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. WHITAKER,

Supt. School Committee of the Town.

February 28, 1868.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING COMMITTEE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, NOS. 2 AND 3.

To the Town of Charlestown:—The Superintending Committee having charge of so much of the town as is combined into a High School district for purposes of schooling, are happy to report that the schools under their oversight have enjoyed an unusual degree of success, and have made praiseworthy advancement during the past year.

The Prudential Committee secured excellent teachers at the outset, and happily were able to retain them without change throughout the year. We believe it to be a great advantage to a school to have a permanent teacher, who knows the scholars, their attainments and abilities; and is not obliged, when a new term begins, to spend weeks in finding them out.

NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

This school was under charge of Miss Helen Whipple. It has always been remarkable for good order and industry. Miss Whipple's method of teaching is one which tends to promote promptness and correctness in the mental operations, an object which ought never to be lost sight of in education.

SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

This was taught by Miss Luthera Whitney, who has now been its instructor for nearly two years. During all this time she has given great satisfaction, both to the committee and to the inhabitants of her portion of the district. Her scholars have made excellent progress in their studies.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This school, as usual, was in session only during the Winter months. It was taught by Miss Maria J. Walker, a lady of experience and capacity, who has served in the district before. The school was noticeable for its quietness and order, and for thoroughness of instruction.

HIGH SCHOOL.

This has been all three terms under the tuition of Miss Merial A. Whipple, whose excellent qualities as a teacher are well known in the district from former service. Her pupils appeared well in school, and showed at examinations that they had made fair progress. The committee regret to say that, in the third term, a few of the older scholars were unwilling to submit to the reasonable restraints of school discipline. They, however, retired from the school; so that no serious loss was experienced, except by themselves.

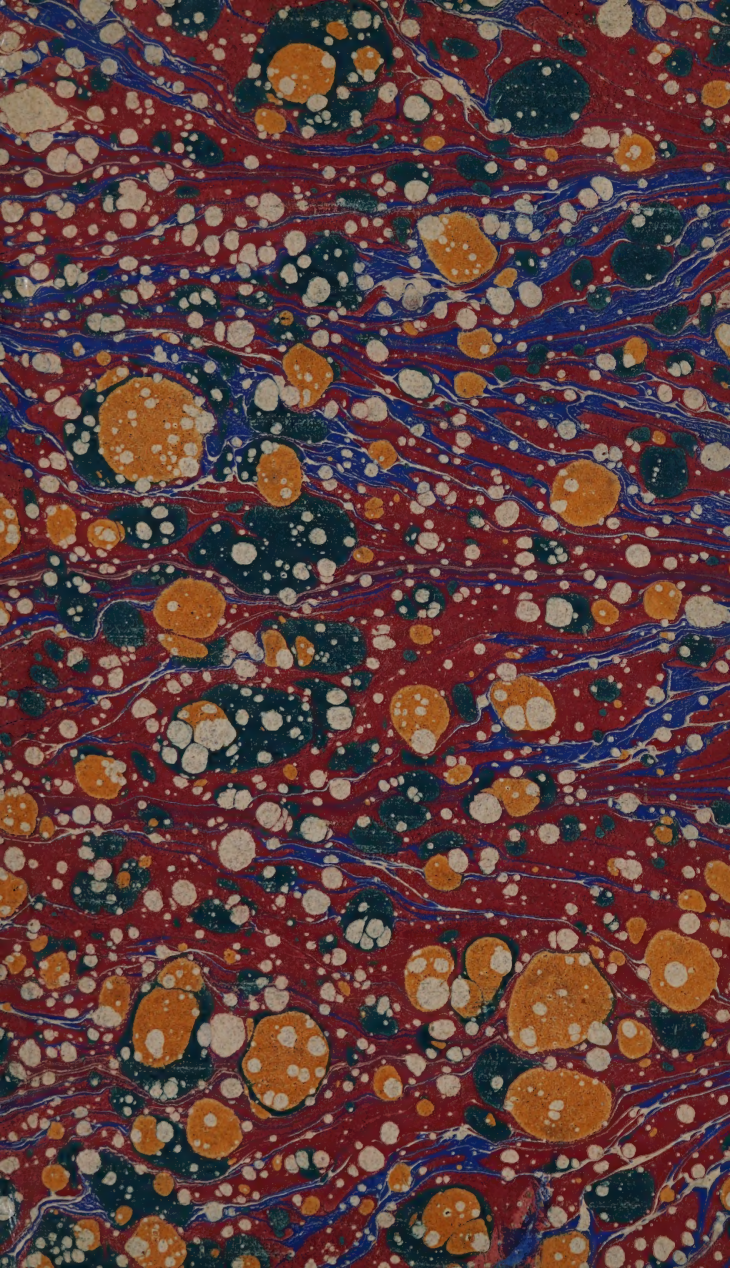
During the past year the district has made a great improvement by adding a second story to the middle school-house. A light, airy and well-appointed room is thus provided for a fourth school. A belfry was also built to receive a bell which had been procured by subscription of citizens.

At about the middle of the year, the Superintending Committee, acting under the authority committed to them by the Statutes of the State, set forth a brief code of rules, regulating in some points the discipline of the schools. Some of these, and especially one intended to secure punctuality, were animadverted upon with some severity by a few in the district. The committee cannot but think that they were necessary and that they have been exceedingly advantageous to the schools. To cite the most marked case; the South Primary School, first term, was kept 53 days; third term, 49 days, under the same teacher. The first term, *before* the establishment of the Rules, the whole number of scholars was 37, the average attendance, $28\frac{1}{2}$. Third term, *under* the Rules, whole number, 27; average attendance, 25. The first term there were 252 instances of tardiness; the third term, 11. This great improvement in punctuality shows its good effect in the great advance in scholarship made by the scholars. The Rules of course are open to amendment.

All which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS CHASE, Chairman of Sup't. Com.





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